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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a Homicide investigation. The incident occurred Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in the 700 block of New Hill Avenue SW.

The victim's name is being withheld pending next of kin notifications.

On Tuesday, February 23, 2016 around 1:20 a.m., West Precinct officers responded to the listed location along with the Birmingham Fire Department on a house fire. Upon arrival, officers observed smoke coming from the windows. Birmingham Fire made entry into the residence and observed the victim lying on the living room floor partially burned. The victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. The victim was transported to the Coroner's office and after examination it was discovered the victim suffered a gunshot wound to the body. This is an ongoing investigation, and information will be released as it becomes available.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.